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| 22 | Robinson – recuse; Seeland – yes; Duehr – yes; Wellborn – yes; Paulsen – yes; |
| 23 | Chen - recuse; Henderson - yes; Haigh - yes; and Jeffrey - yes. MOTION |
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| 30 | Roll call vote: Haigh – yes; Henderson – yes; Chen – yes; Paulsen – yes; |
| 31 | Wellborn – yes; Duehr – yes; Seeland – yes; Robinson – yes; Smith – yes; |
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- witness statements and the documentary evidence, does not corroborate the
- 2 allegations in the complaint, and that the Board, therefore, lacks probable
- 3 cause to proceed with this matter. Roll call vote: Aboud yes; Smith yes;
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- hearing. Roll call vote: Haigh yes; Henderson yes; Chen yes; Paulsen yes;
- Wellborn yes; Duehr yes; Seeland yes; Robinson yes; Smith yes; Aboud
- 14 yes; and Jeffrey yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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- William Haigh moved, with a second by Ying Ying Chen, that in **case numbers**
- 17 **06-34 and 06-39**, the Board find that the evidence gathered in the
- investigation, including witness statements and the documentary evidence,
- does not corroborate the allegations in the complaint, and that the Board,
- 20 therefore, lacks probable cause to proceed with this matter. Roll call vote:
- 21 Aboud yes; Smith yes; Robinson yes; Seeland yes; Duehr yes; Wellborn
- 22 yes; Paulsen yes; Chen yes; Henderson yes; Haigh yes; and Jeffrey -
- 23 yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 25 Ying Ying Chen moved, with a second by William Haigh, that in **case number**
- 26 **06-35**, In the Matter of: Philip David Padilla, the Board find probable cause to
- 27 establish a violation of the following provisions of the Code of Professional
- 28 Conduct and Ethics: 282 IAC 25.3(1)(c), 25.3(1)(d) and 25.3(1)(e) and order
- 29 this case set for hearing. Roll call vote: Haigh yes; Henderson yes; Chen –
- 30 yes; Paulsen yes; Wellborn yes; Duehr yes; Seeland yes; Robinson –
- 31 recuse; Smith yes; Aboud yes; and Jeffrey yes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

- William Haigh moved, with a second by Ying Ying Chen, that in **case number**
- 2 **06-36**, Heartland Area Education Agency 11 vs. Nancy L. Cox, the Board find
- 3 probable cause to establish a violation of the following provision of the Code of
- 4 Professional Conduct and Ethics: 282 IAC 25.3(5)(a)(3) and order this case set
- 5 for hearing. Roll call vote: Roll call vote: Aboud yes; Smith yes; Robinson –
- 6 yes; Seeland yes; Duehr yes; Wellborn yes; Paulsen yes; Chen yes;
- 7 Henderson yes; Haigh yes; and Jeffrey yes. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 8 UNANIMOUSLY.

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- 11 **06-27**, the Board extend the 180-day deadline for issuance of the final decision,
- based upon the extraordinary amount of time needed to complete the
- investigation. Roll call vote: Aboud yes; Smith yes; Robinson yes; Seeland
- 14 yes; Duehr yes; Wellborn yes; Paulsen yes; Chen yes; Henderson yes;
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- 20 proposed decision, and review the proposed decision by the Board. Roll call
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- 22 Duehr yes; Seeland yes; Robinson yes; Smith yes; Aboud yes; and
- 23 Jeffrey yes. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

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- 25 Greg Robinson moved, with a second by Beverly Smith, to approve the
- November 3, 2006, minutes, as distributed. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 27 UNANIMOUSLY.

- John Aboud moved, with a second by William Haigh, that **in PFW 06-13**,
- Jeannine C. Mullikin, the Board grant the Petition for Waiver. **MOTION**
- 31 CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

- Jean Seeland moved, with a second by John Aboud, that **in PFW 06-14**,
- 2 Mackenzie Bell, the Board grant the Petition for Waiver. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 3 **ON A VOICE VOTE,** with Paulsen and Robinson voting "no."

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| 9 | The Board of Educational Examiners held its monthly meeting on December 1, |
| 10 | 2006. Board Chair Judy Jeffrey called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. |
| 11 | Members attending were John Aboud, Ying Ying Chen, Tammy Duehr, William |
| 12 | Haigh, Jeffrey Henderson, Judy Jeffrey, Thomas Paulsen, Greg Robinson, Jean |
| 13 | Seeland, Beverly Smith and Jacqueline Wellborn. Also in attendance were Dr. |
| 14 | George Maurer, Executive Director of the Board; Christie Scase, Assistant |
| 15 | Attorney General and legal counsel to the Board; Barbara Hendrickson, Board |
| 16 | Secretary; and other visitors. |
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| 21 | contested case, pursuant to Iowa Code sections 21.5(1)(d) and 21.5(1)(f). |
| 22 | MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. |
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| 24 | The Board reconvened into open session at 9:50 a.m. |
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- Greg Robinson moved, with a second by Beverly Smith, to approve the
- 2 November 3, 2006, minutes, as distributed. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 3 UNANIMOUSLY.

- 5 The Board acknowledged technological difficulties with use of the Iowa
- 6 Communications Network (ICN) for the November board meeting. Board
- 7 Member Jacqueline Wellborn indicated, however, that for a short meeting, she
- 8 preferred the ICN to a telephonic meeting.

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- Executive Director Dr. George Maurer announced the December 21 retirement
- of Licensure Consultant Jane Heinsen. He thanked her for the almost 17 years
- of service for the Board and said she would be missed.

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- 14 Board Member Ying Ying Chen summarized some important information she
- 15 had read in articles in *Educational Leadership*, and she provided copies of the
- articles to the Board. Tammy Duehr, together with the Dubuque district's
- 17 human resources staff member, offered the PowerPoint ethics presentation to
- 18 102 new teachers in that district and will do likewise to the 92 second-year
- 19 teachers in a couple of weeks. Ms. Chen said that an attorney had expressed to
- 20 her an interest in joint efforts to present workshops on ethics. She wondered if
- other board members have had similar inquiries.

- 23 Board Chair Judy Jeffrey talked about a number of matters:
- 24 1) A few weeks ago the Department of Education (DE) filed a report to the U.S.
- Department of Education (USDE) on highly qualified teachers. She now
- 26 provided the Board with charts of Iowa statistics of percentages of specific
- 27 classes taught by highly qualified teachers who are assigned to high poverty
- buildings. Iowa does not follow the national trend of not highly qualified
- teachers being assigned to schools in need of improvement. She then added
- 30 some explanatory remarks.
- 31 2) She received a letter from the USDE that the DE has been fully approved for
- its standards and assessments system, full approval being something
- difficult to achieve.

- 1 3) Board members had a copy of *The Annual Condition of Education Report* at each one's place.
- 3 4) The DE has prefiled a bill on administrative leadership standards to put the
- 4 standards into place for evaluation purposes for all administrators in the
- 5 state and for professional development plans for all administrators in the
- 6 state.
- 7 5) Ms. Jeffrey updated information on the status of the proposal of pay-for-
- 8 performance.
- 9 6) She and Executive Director Dr. George Maurer collaborated in putting
- together transition documents for the transition team of the incoming
- administration. Dr. Maurer said he would E-mail the Board's portion of the
- 12 Transition Report to board members.
- 13 7) As required by any new administration, Ms. Jeffrey has resigned from her
- position as director, but she has re-applied for it.
- 16 Board Chair Judy Jeffrey asked if there were any public comments. There were
- 17 none.
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- 19 Executive Director Dr. George Maurer reported on a number of issues:
- 20 1) The November budget report was not available due to the inaccessibility of
- data because this board meeting was held on the first day of December. He
- will E-mail the report to board members.
- 23 2) He reviewed the Board's goals.
- 24 3) He guided the Board through a document with plans for a meeting of the
- 25 task force on teacher shortages set for February 13, 2007. Board members
- provided feedback on the information and gave additional input.
- 27 4) He asked board members what they would like to do for the board retreat on
- June 21-22, 2007. He suggested revisiting the Board's mission, vision,
- beliefs and the like. Jeffrey Henderson echoed an interest in reviewing the
- 30 Board's philosophy. He recommended that input from the constituency
- groups be obtained beforehand. Greg Robinson thought pieces of
- information might come out of the teacher shortage task force study.

- 1 5) Heartland Area Education Agency (AEA) 11 will make its ethics course 2 available on line to everyone.
- 3 6) The April 5 board meeting will be held at Grant Wood AEA in Cedar Rapids.
- 4 7) Channel 8 had shown a segment on professional practices the previous
- 5 Sunday.
- 6 8) Consultant/Investigator Beth Myers reported on her attendance in October
- at the Professional Practices Institute of the National Association of State
- 8 Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC), together with
- 9 Executive Director Dr. George Maurer and Assistant Attorney General and
- legal counsel to the Board Christie Scase. Of particular interest was a post-
- violation education program in Kentucky, a "weekend crash-course [for
- violators] in their code of ethics . . . to get them remediated and back in."
- John Aboud recommended development of a similar class in the Iowa code
- of ethics, and Dr. Maurer said staff could put together an outline and bring
- it to the Board.
- 16 9) Licensure Consultant Geri McMahon reported on a meeting with a
- 17 representative of Troops-to-Teachers.
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- 19 The Board recessed from 11:13 to 11:20 a.m.
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- 21 The Board discussed a proposed rule change that would allow the holder of a
- 22 substitute authorization to work in K-6 classrooms, as requested by several
- 23 constituent groups. The suggestion was made to expand permission to K-12,
- 24 instead, to the holder of a paraeducator certificate. Following significant
- conversation, it was decided that the matter will be discussed again at a future
- 26 date. It was also recommended that the issue be talked about in upcoming
- 27 meetings with the constituency groups.
- 28
- 29 The Board considered a proposed rule change that would provide applicants
- 30 with clear guidance on which credential evaluation services the Board will
- 31 accept for applicants from foreign institutions. The credential evaluation
- 32 services listed on the application are the ones that have been evaluated by the
- 33 staff and are accredited. Board Member Ying Ying Chen recommended adding

- a requirement that such applicants successfully pass the TOEFL (Test of
- 2 English as a Foreign Language). The Board will see the proposed changes in
- 3 Notice form at the next meeting.

- 5 The next item was a question-and-answer sheet on conversion from an initial
- 6 license to a standard license. Since mentoring and induction is under the
- 7 jurisdiction of the DE, board staff has worked closely with DE staff to ensure
- 8 consistency in presenting the concepts to licensees in the field.

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The Board recessed for lunch at 11:42 a.m. and reconvened at 12:22 p.m.

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- 12 Executive Director Dr. George Maurer guided the Board through items related
- to the legislative agenda. Following brief review of plans for the legislative
- reception, the Board looked at the new Code language for membership on the
- 15 Board, which will go into effect May 1, 2007. Board members found the new
- language restrictive and exclusionary. The timeframe for a pre-filed bill has
- passed, but opportunity exists to introduce legislation this session to revert to
- the previous configuration, which is the Board's preference, or to create a mix of
- 19 members more suitable in board members' minds than the combination
- 20 currently scheduled for installation.

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- 22 The University of Iowa submitted a proposal to change language in a section of
- 23 the Iowa Code so that "student teaching" would become "educator licensure
- 24 experiences." The objective of the more expansive language is to cover liability
- concerns as students go out into the field in a variety of experiences and to
- 26 protect the students during the term of those situations. The Board agreed to
- 27 move the matter forward.

- 29 The Executive Director invited the Board to contact him if any other concern
- 30 arose between now and the planning session the evening before the legislative
- 31 reception.

- Executive Director Dr. George Maurer turned the Board's attention to a number
- 2 of reports. The first was a detailed annual financial report to be submitted to
- 3 legislative committee members. The second legislatively mandated report
- 4 concerned the impact of requirements regarding teacher librarians.
- 5 Demographic information was provided, but no conclusions or
- 6 recommendations were made since data are not yet complete. The third report
- 7 was an internal efficiency report documenting results of the Kaizen Event held
- 8 the previous year. Next year a report will once again be due on administrative
- 9 rules.

- 11 The Board took up consideration of Jeannine Mullikin's petition to waive the
- 12 requirement for three years of post-baccalaureate work experience required for
- the teacher intern program, which had been tabled at the November meeting.
- 14 Ms. Mullikin holds a baccalaureate degree; has completed the content
- requirements for biology, chemistry and general science; and has two years of
- post-baccalaureate experience. She is enrolled in Kaplan University's teacher
- intern program and has been offered employment in biology at Louisa-
- 18 Muscatine High School beginning January 2007. Additional information was
- 19 provided that she has participated in professional development activities,
- attended science team meetings, collaborated with her teaching partner and
- 21 attended two to three faculty meetings. John Aboud moved, with a second by
- William Haigh, that in PFW 06-13, Jeannine C. Mullikin, the Board grant the
- 23 Petition for Waiver. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY ON A VOICE VOTE.

- 25 Mackenzie Bell asked the Board to waive the approved substitute authorization
- 26 class. She is completing her master's degree in educational counseling. She
- 27 wants to apply for the substitute authorization but has not completed the
- 28 approved substitute authorization coursework through the AEA. Ms. Bell
- 29 wants to utilize the counseling coursework she completed as the equivalent.
- Jean Seeland moved, with a second by John Aboud, that **in PFW 06-14**,
- 31 Mackenzie Bell, the Board grant the Petition for Waiver. **MOTION CARRIED**
- 32 **ON A VOICE VOTE,** with Paulsen and Robinson voting "no."

- 1 There being no further business, Board Chair Judy Jeffrey adjourned the
- 2 meeting at 1:13 p.m.